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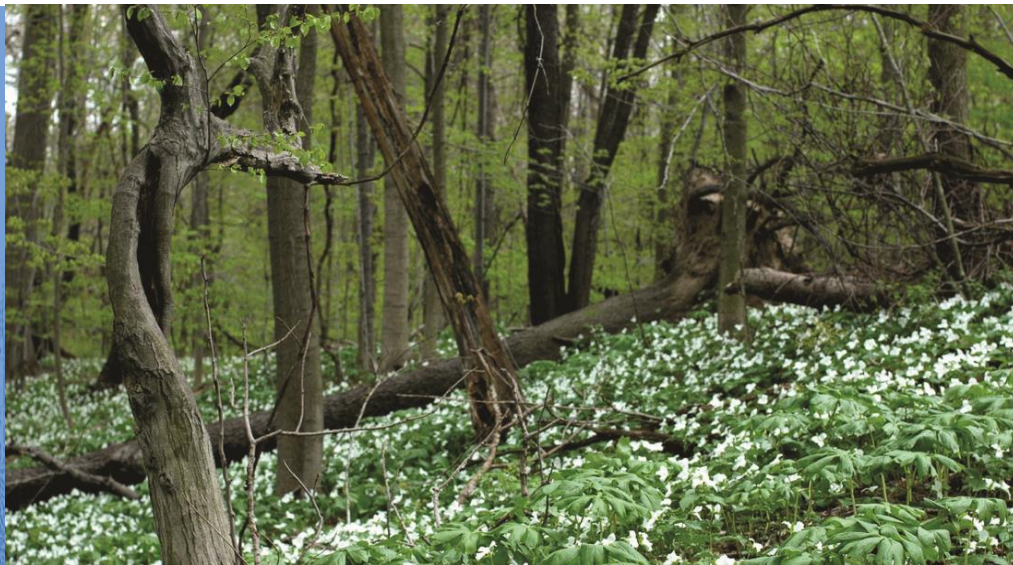
CATEGORY
EDUCATION/OUTREACH

GRANT AWARD
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LOCAL SHARE
\$3,755



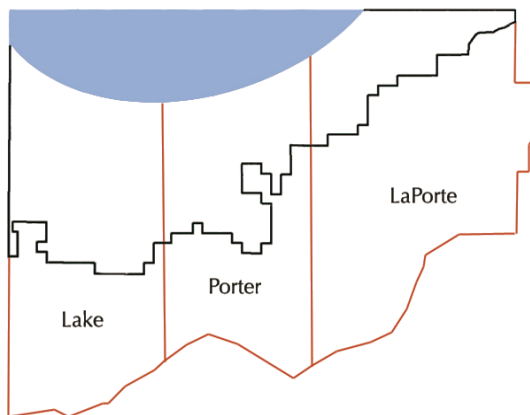
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Moraine Forest Conservation Land Owner Outreach Project

The objective of this project was to conduct the second phase of the large scale comprehensive conservation planning effort for the moraine forest in the southern Lake Michigan watershed. This was accomplished by four land trusts (LaPorte County Conservation Trust, Save the Dunes, Shirley Heinze Land Trust, and Woodland Savanna Land Conservancy) operating within the same geographic area. This project was focused on implementing the comprehensive planning efforts previously undertaken to identify and prioritize parcels in the moraine forest. This was achieved by accomplishing the following for eight project areas (Springfield Fen, Red Mill, Little Calumet/Heron Rookery, Moraine Nature Preserve, Salt Creek, Salt Creek headwaters, Trail Creek, and Moretzky Forest):

- 1) Developed a prioritization map that was incorporated into a brochure for the purposes of being distributed to land owners identified within each of the eight project areas.
- 2) Conducted a land owner outreach hike at each of the project areas to educate land owners about the prioritized natural area located in the vicinity of their properties.
- 3) Conducted a workshop for each of the project areas to engage stakeholders and land owners about conservation planning efforts, land management efforts, and conservation options (fee simple, conservation easements, Classified Forest, etc.).



RESULT: Outreach and Educational Activities for Land Owners for the conservation of moraine forest in the Lake Michigan watershed of Indiana.